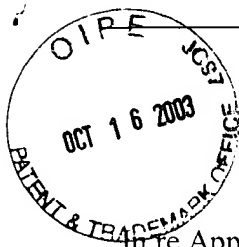


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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

In regard to the above identified application, we are transmitting herewith the attached:

1. Amendment and Response to Office Action,
2. Attachment A to the Response, and
3. Return postcard.

With respect to additional fees:

X      A.    No additional fee is required.

B. An additional fee is required and has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
(1)	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(3)	(4) Highest No. Previously Paid For	(5) Present Extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total Claims	13	Minus	28	0	X \$9	= \$0.00
Indep. Claims	3	Minus	3	0	X \$43	= \$0.00
			Total Additional Claims Fees		\$0.00	
Petition/Request for Extension of Time			<u>0</u> months		\$0.00	
			Total Additional Fees for this Amendment		\$0.00	

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- \* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.  
 \*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.  
 \*\*\* Each multiple dependent claim should be counted as the number of claims from which it depends.

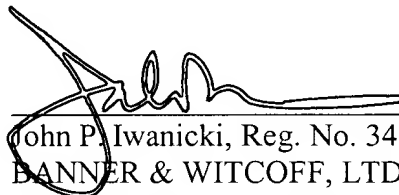
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- \_\_\_\_\_ C. Attached is a check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ D. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the total additional fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ E. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Petition fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 16, 2003

  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2003 (Paper No. 11). Kindly amend the above-referenced application as follows.

**Amendments** to the claims are reflected in the claim listing, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.